



# Basic Training for Street Gang Investigators

May 10–13, 2011 • Galax, Virginia

## Who Should Attend

This training is being offered to sworn officers from Virginia.

It will provide basic, entry-level training to:

- Officers newly assigned to work with street gangs.
- Officers with limited experience but little formal training in street gang investigations.
- Officers from small agencies for whom street gang investigation is an assigned, but additional duty.

*This is a specialized curriculum for law enforcement officers who encounter gangs on the street.*

## Registration

There is no registration fee. This workshop is made possible through funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. Class size is limited to 45 attendees. We reserve the right to limit the number of attendees from each agency to ensure that the maximum number of Virginia agencies is represented. Register online at <https://www.iir.com/registration/gang.aspx>

The deadline for registration is Friday, April 22, 2011. Once your registration is received and accepted, a staff member from the Institute for Intergovernmental Research® (IIR) will e-mail or fax a confirmation memo. For security reasons, only those individuals having a confirmed advance registration will be admitted to the workshop, and no registrations will be accepted at the door. Law enforcement credentials will be required at check-in. Workshop check-in will begin at 7:30 a.m. on May 10. The workshop schedule is 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on May 10–12 and 8:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. on May 13.

## Training Location

The Crossroads Institute  
1117 East Stuart Drive  
Galax, VA 24333

A block of rooms has been reserved at a contract rate of \$77, plus tax, at the Hampton Inn Galax, 205 Cranberry Road, Galax, VA 24333, (276) 238-4605. Please reference BJA Training and reserve your room before Thursday, May 5, 2011. Travel, lodging, and per diem expenses are the responsibility of the attendee.

## Cohosted by

- Galax Police Department
- Regional Organized Crime Information Center®
- U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Virginia
- Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services
- Virginia Gang Investigators Association

## Instructors

Experts, many with national recognition in the subject area, will provide instruction. A regional overview of gangs will be provided by local gang authorities.

## Course Topics

- **Gangs 101**—basic information necessary to understand street gangs
- **Regional Gang Overview**—specific information about active regional and local gangs
- **Gang Intelligence**—the intelligence process and the role of gang investigators in the process
- **Interviewing Gang Members**—intelligence gathering through everyday contact with gang members on the street
- **Gangs and the Internet**—use of the Internet as a tool for gathering intelligence on local gangs
- **Gang Suppression**—strategies and tactics that have been effective in suppressing gang activity
- **Gang Investigations**—unique nature of gang investigations and gang crime scenes
- **Legal Considerations**—use of gang-specific legislation in the investigation and prosecution of gang crime

## Questions?

For questions regarding registration, call (800) 446-0912, extension 287 or 289. Accommodations will be made for individuals with disabilities as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Contact IIR for further information.